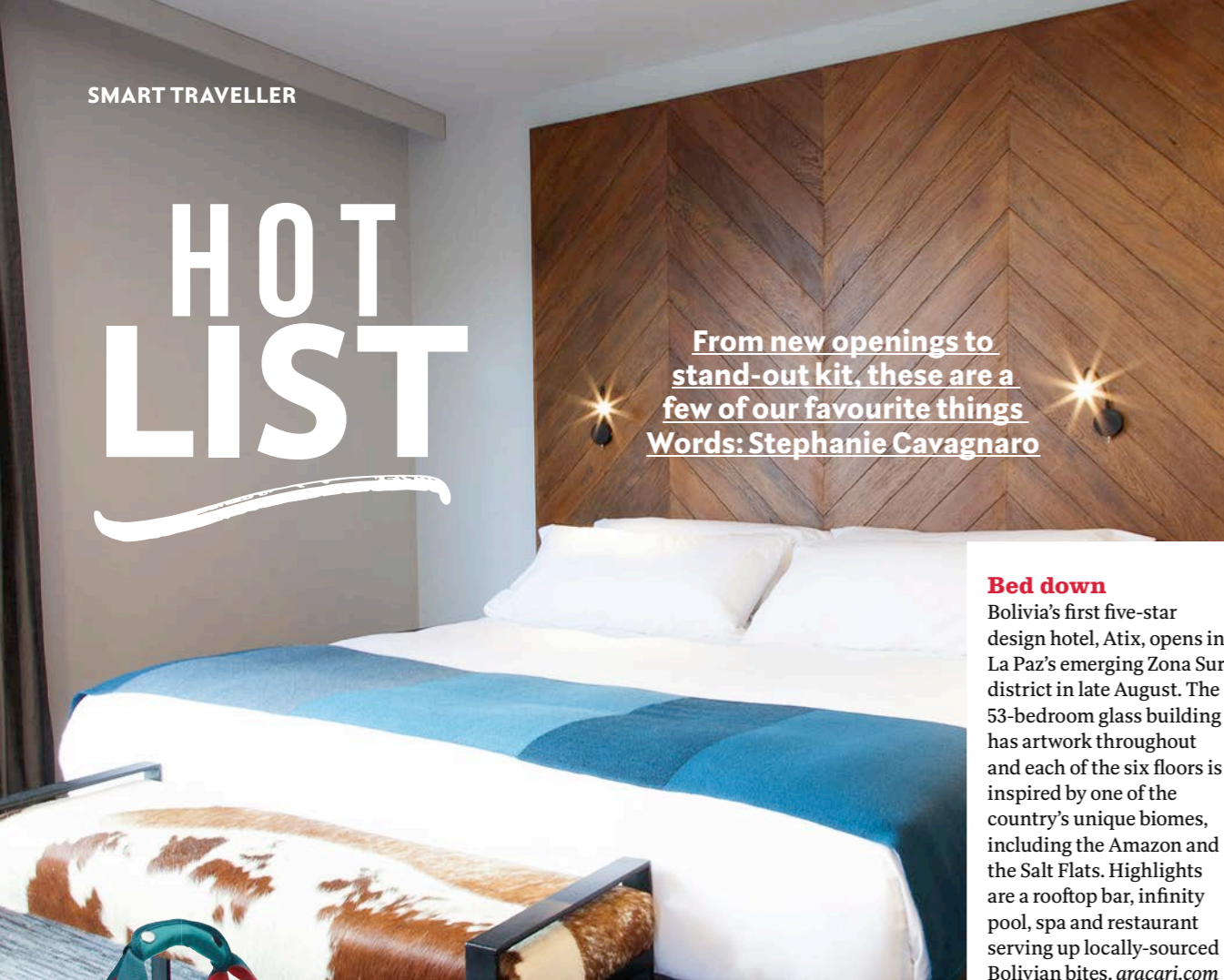


HOT LIST

From new openings to stand-out kit, these are a few of our favourite things
Words: Stephanie Cavagnaro



Bed down

Bolivia's first five-star design hotel, Atix, opens in La Paz's emerging Zona Sur district in late August. The 53-bedroom glass building has artwork throughout and each of the six floors is inspired by one of the country's unique biomes, including the Amazon and the Salt Flats. Highlights are a rooftop bar, infinity pool, spa and restaurant serving up locally-sourced Bolivian bites. aracari.com



THULE CHASM 1.2

New from summer, use this bag as a traditional duffel or convert it into a stylish backpack, with padded straps. It's made from durable waterproof tarpaulin fabric and effortlessly folds for easy storage. RRP: From £90. thule.com

In the air

Heathrow to Santiago, Chile from 3 January 2017
Gatwick to Lima, Peru from 4 May 2016
with British Airways ba.com

Culture culture

Peru's first large-scale national museum — Museo Nacional del Peru — opens next May. It will be the entry point to the Pachacamac ruins, an ancient settlement of pyramids, burial sites and temples, and will display over 500,000 artifacts and contemporary art. pachacamac.cultura.pe



RE-KÅNKEN

Made from a single yarn using 11 plastic bottles, this eco-backpack is new this month, and can even be recycled — again. RRP: £70. fjallraven.co.uk



Up and away

Take to the skies with the first hot air balloon company to offer flights over northern Chile's Atacama desert — from 12 August. RRP: USD\$300 (£227). easternsafaris.com

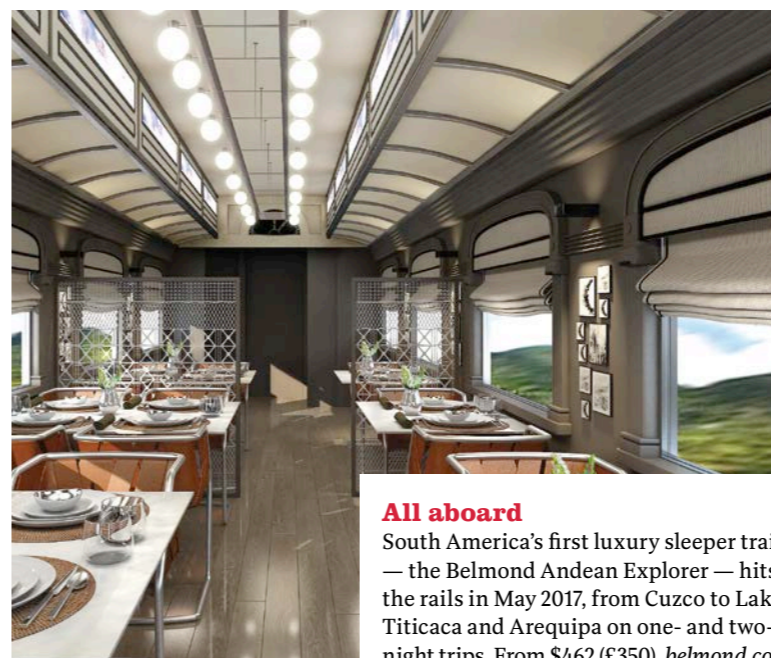
Sole searching

Vibram Furoshiki is a new lightweight, bendable shoe with a sole that wraps around the entire foot, ensuring an ergonomic fit in a travel-ready design. vibram.com



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All aboard

South America's first luxury sleeper train — the Belmond Andean Explorer — hits the rails in May 2017, from Cuzco to Lake Titicaca and Arequipa on one- and two-night trips. From \$462 (£350). belmond.com

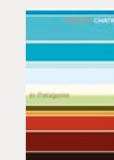
The Word

Pick up one of these iconic books before taking a trip to South America



THE MOTORCYCLE DIARIES BY CHE GUEVARA

This memoir follows the travels of medical student Che and his biochemist friend Alberto Granado eight years before the Cuban Revolution. Their two wheels take them across Argentina, Chile, Peru and Venezuela. RRP: £8.99 (Harper Collins)



IN PATAGONIA BY BRUCE CHATWIN

Next year will mark the 40th anniversary of this highly acclaimed travelogue. The author picks up the trail of deceased outlaw Butch Cassidy, and documents the colourful characters he meets who delay his journey along the way. RRP: £9.99 (Jonathan Cape)



A DEATH IN BRAZIL BY PETER ROBB

This historic account and political who's who is Robb's portrait of Brazil's baroque past. It's infused with Latin flavours, culture and society, giving readers a context for the nation today. RRP: £10.99 (Bloomsbury)



ONE HUNDRED YEARS OF SOLITUDE BY GABRIEL GARCIA MARQUEZ

The borders of political reality and the supernatural blur in Marquez's novel about seven generations of the Buendia family in their fictional Colombian town. RRP: £8.99 (Jonathan Cape)



THE HOUSE OF THE SPIRITS BY ISABEL ALLENDE

A Chilean family saga spanning four generations speaks of the country's turbulent history through an eccentric cast of female characters. Allende's autobiographical novel is sprinkled with magic realism. RRP: £8.99 (Black Swan) **TAMSIN WRESSELL**